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PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE IN WAIVER REQUEST CASE

Jefferson City (June 5, 2003)---The City of Kennett municipal gas system has filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking a waiver of a pipeline safety rule related to a replacement program for unprotected steel service lines and yard lines.

According to the City of Kennett, the proposed waiver requests that a customer-owned yard be exempted from being replaced. According to the City, the customer, Emerson Electric Company, is a large manufacturing firm that has its own engineering and maintenance departments capable of maintaining their own facilities. Emerson Electric Company, according to the City, has installed cathodic protection on the 6" steel yard line going from the meter set to the building.

According to the application, the City of Kennett believes that by the City leak-surveying the line on an annual schedule, and by the City checking the cathodic protection level annually, safety would not be compromised by not replacing the 6" yard line.

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed on or before **June 23, 2003**, with Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary, Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360. Copies of the application should be sent to: Terry M. McVey, Esq., Crow, Reynolds, Shetley & McVey, LLP, P.O. Box 189, Southern Missouri Bank & Trust Building, Kennett, Missouri 63857-0189; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-7800. The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency which represents the general public in matters before the Public Service Commission.

The Public Service Commission has jurisdiction over the City of Kennett municipal gas system when it comes to natural gas pipeline safety issues.

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